### **MINUTES**

# LEGISLATIVE ISSUES COMMITTEE MEETING TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS 1917 SOUTH IH-35, BOARD ROOM, AUSTIN, TX NOVEMBER 20, 2014 – 9:00 AM

**CALL TO ORDER.** James "Jim" Greer, P.E., Chair called the Texas Board of Professional Engineers Legislative Committee Meeting to order at 9:02 am on November 20, 2014, at the Texas Board of Professional Engineers, 1917 South Interstate 35, Austin, TX. (NOTE: all votes are unanimous unless noted.)

### 1. Roll call and welcome visitors.

Jim Greer, P.E. Chair Carry A. Baker, JD Member

Elvira Reyna Member (Excused Absence)

Edward Summers, Ph.D. Member

A quorum was present. Ms. Veena Mohan, Assistant Attorney General, was present to provide legal counsel to the Board. Mr. Jose I. Guerra, P.E., and Mr. Edmundo Gonzalez, P.E. Emeritus Board Members, were present.

The following staff members were present:

Lance Kinney, P.E. Executive Director
David Howell, P.E. Deputy Executive Director

C.W. Clark, P.E. Director of Compliance & Enforcement

Dorothy Gonzales Executive Assistant

Visitors. Terry Bilderback, P.E., Texas Society of Professional Engineers.

2. **Public comment**. None.

DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY ACT ON THE FOLLOWING (AGENDA ITEMS 3-8):

## 3. Discuss and possibly approve the August 28, 2014, Legislative Committee Minutes.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Baker/Summers) to approve the August 28, 2014, Legislative Committee Minutes as submitted. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

# 4. Faculty Licensure Task Force.

Mr. Kinney reported that the Faculty Licensure Task Force is continuing work on their proposal to address faculty licensure. The Task Force is working with societies and organizations for input. The Board serves only as a resource to the Task Force.

### 5. **84th Legislative Session**.

- **SDSI**. Mr. Kinney mentioned that the SDSI report that is required to be submitted to the legislature was included as an exhibit, and if anyone had any questions, he would be glad to answer.
- **Committee Hearing**. Mr. Kinney reported that he and Mr. Howell attended the first committee hearing regarding the Sunset Review of SDSI. The Board was not asked to testify but he did sign up as a resource in case there were any questions.
- **TELICON**. Mr. Howell reviewed the tracking report included as an exhibit. He also reviewed the key words used to identify Bills that will affect the profession, agency policies and procedures, or agency employees.

### 6. Activities of Legislative Committee for 84th Legislative Session.

Mr. Kinney reviewed the draft plan submitted as an exhibit. The committee instructed staff to follow the proposed plan for communication and tracking of legislation.

### 7. Issues for future consideration and schedule next committee meeting.

Update on legislative action, if any.

### 8. ADJOURN.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Baker/Summers) to adjourn the meeting at 9:30am. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

Date Committee approve minutes as submitted: February 12, 2015

Date Board accepted minutes: February 12, 2015